



PEACE CONNECTIONS
April 27, 2022

Major Robert Skufca Memorial Car & Motorcycle Show

Prince of Peace Lutheran Church invites you to join us for a charity event in support of “The Hunger Network of Greater Cleveland.”

A car and motorcycle show will be held on the church grounds. Dash plaques will be provided for the first fifty(50) registering after arrival. Awards are provided at the end of the show.

While there is no cost to attend, we request voluntary donations of cash or non-perishable food items which will be given to The Hunger Network of Greater Cleveland.

The POP Endowment Committee has approved matching funds up to \$1,000 for the event's cash donations. Thank you!



Mission- Feeding our communities' future.

Vision- No one goes hungry. No food goes to waste.

Hunger Network has been working to end hunger and build a healthier community for over 25 years. As one of Cuyahoga County's largest emergency food providers, Hunger Network continues to lead the way through innovation and with nontraditional approaches to serving our neighbors in need.

Sunday Livestream Worship Services at 9 am & 11 am



On Sundays, you can worship with us online!
Please visit our [website](#) where we will Livestream our
Sunday Worship Services at 9:00 am and 11:00 am.



Online Giving



Your generous online offering allows us to preach the gospel, make disciples, and support others in our community who need help. As a community, we are grateful for one another's loving support.

[ONLINE GIVING](#)

Second Harvest Food Bank



For the month of **April-June** requested items are **canned tuna fish and canned fruits**. The collection containers are located as you enter the Education Wing. Thank you!

In the first three months of 2022, **Prince of Peace** has donated **305 pounds** to Second Harvest Food Bank! You have brought a small measure of peace, comfort and hope to families in our area who are in need. Please continue your donations in 2022 so we can continue to help. Thank you!

Women In Transition

There is a great need for new socks, gloves, toiletries, hygiene products and underwear. Items can be dropped off at the donation station.

Thank you! Questions, please contact Jan Filkill 440/871-6673.



Contemporary Worship Music

If you are joining us this Sunday for the 9 am Contemporary service, below are the songs we will be singing. The music can be found on YouTube. See you then!

Wade in the Water
Shepherd of My Soul
Revelation Song
Did You Hear the Mountains Tremble



April 27-May 8, 2020

Wednesday, April 27
2:00 pm Book & Bible Studies/CR

Thursday, April 28
Sexton Day Off
12:00 pm Caring Connections
12:00 pm FLOW
3:00 pm Organ Practice
7:30 pm Choir Practice

Friday, April 29
Pr. Charlie Day Off

Saturday, April 30
2:00 pm Organ Practice

Sunday, May 1
9 & 11 am In Person Worship Service
10:10 am Christian Education
9 & 11:00 am [Livestream](#)

Monday, May 2
10:00 am Staff Meeting/CR
1:00 pm Comfort Quilters
2:00 pm Organ Practice
7 pm Bible Study - All are welcome!

Tuesday, May 3
12:00 pm Bridge Group
7:00 pm CrossFire Rehearsal

Wednesday, May 4
2:00 pm Book & Bible Studies/CR

Thursday, May 5
Sexton Day Off
12:00 pm FLOW
3:00 pm Organ Practice
7:30 pm Choir Practice

Friday, May 6
Pr. Charlie Day Off

Saturday, May 7
2:00 pm Organ Practice

Sunday, May 8
9 & 11 am In Person Worship Service
10:00 am Adult Gospel Study
10:10 am Christian Education
9 & 11:00 am [Livestream](#)



International Dinner Series

Join us on **Thursday, May 12th** for our International Dinner Series. Meet us for a Nepali/Indian dinner at Himalayan Restaurant, 13124 Lorain Avenue in Cleveland at 6:30 pm. No sign up required, just show up hungry and enjoy! All are welcome!

Ice Cream Shop Crawl

Join us on **Sunday, May 15th** as we close the Sunday School year with an Ice Cream Shop Crawl. Please come cheer us on at one or all of our shops. All are welcome to participate!

- 12:30 - 1:00 pm - Meet at Prince of Peace and Depart
- 1:45 pm - Malley's 23473 Lorain Rd
- 3:00 pm - East Coast Custard 22669 Lorain Rd
- 4:00 pm - Dairiview 22004 Lorain Rd



Bunco Is Back!

Join us on **Saturday, May 28th** from 6:30 - 8:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall.

- Beginner lesson at 6:00 pm
- Entry is \$10
- Prizes will go to 1st, 2nd and 3rd prize winners!
- All are welcome!
- Bring a snack to share



Senior Recognition

Prince of Peace invites you
and your family to ...

Senior Recognition

Sunday June 12th
9am

All are welcome!
Stay for cake and celebration
after the service

Seniors please send us the following for display:

1. Name
2. High School
3. Any awards or honors received
4. College/Vocation school you will be attending (if not applicable, share what you plan to do next, ex. military, working, etc.)
5. Course of study (if not decided you can leave blank)
6. Any special scholarships received for college (example: soccer program scholarship, leave blank if not applicable)
7. Senior Photo

**email to poplutheranyouth@gmail.com
no later than May 28th**

THEY'RE BACK! The Chardon Polka Band



Mother's Day

Sunday, May 8, 2022

9:00 am & 11:00 am worship services



The Chardon Polka Band!

Join us on Mother's Day, May 8, 2022.

The Chardon Polka Band are coming back to Prince of Peace! They will be performing at the 9:00 am and 11:00 am worship services.

All are welcome!



Blood Pressure Screening

Blood pressure screening will be held on **Sunday, May 8, 2022** by Prince of Peace member Deb Gibbons. Blood Pressure Screenings are from 10-11:00 a.m.

Monthly Blood Pressure Screenings

Volunteer Registered Nurses are needed to assist with a monthly Blood Pressure Screening service. Screenings are held on the First Sunday each month (exception is a holiday weekend, moved to the following Sunday) from 10:00 am - 11:00 am. All equipment and materials are provided. Currently we have 3 RN's and would like to add additional RN's to our rotation. Please contact Christie Wiedt BSN, RN if you are interested: christiesbn@aol.com



Tables of Eight

- Want to get to know your church family better?
- Sign-up for the Tables for Eight social groups.
- Talk with Dave or Jan Saunders for details & to sign-up.
- New groups will be announced the week of May 1st.

Young at Heart

Young at Heart is starting up again! Please join us on Thursday, April 28th at 12:30 pm. We will be enjoying good food and fellowship at Houlihan's Restaurant, located at 25651 Detroit Road in Westlake.

Please add your name to the sign-up sheet in the lower lobby. Questions, contact Kathy Kettler at 440/734-6511.



**Young at Heart
Luncheon**

Prince of Peace Ministry of the Month ~ Habitat for Humanity

Every month, Prince of Peace will feature one of our engagement ministries. We will share information about the ministry and let you know how you can get involved. For the month of April, the first ministry to be lifted up is Habitat for Humanity.



At Greater Cleveland Habitat for Humanity, we build, repair and sell affordable homes to families with a 0% Interest mortgage. We also concentrate our work in focused communities so we can have a greater impact on helping revitalize neighborhoods.

Greater Cleveland Habitat for Humanity has joined with all of Ohio's 45 Habitat affiliates to call on the state of Ohio to invest \$25 million to help build, rehabilitate and preserve 1,000 homes. But we need your help! [ACT NOW!](#)



Cleveland has once again been named the poorest, largest city in the US. According to the U.S. Census Bureau, Cleveland is the poorest big city in America. Thirty percent of Cleveland residents live below the poverty level, and half earn less than \$20,000 per year.

The money raised at the Run/Walk/Mosey will fund the construction of 8 new homes on Shale Avenue. This is our rendering of the Shale homes. These are 4 bedrooms, 2 full bathrooms, and just over 1,300 square feet.



We are also starting a project on West 128th Street. It is a plot of land that was a long time ago, a school. We will be splitting it up into 5 lots. This will be very costly due to the water/sewer and utilities because it was one lot and will now be 5. Here is the rendering of these homes. These are 3 bedrooms, 1 ½ baths, and just over 1,800 square feet. These are ADA-compliant homes.



We walk, run and mosey because everyone deserves a safe, decent place to call home. [Why I Walk - Watch Now](#)

To those who have joined us in the past, you might notice that there's something a little different about this year's event...

We're upping the ante as we celebrate our 35th anniversary and we're bringing our donut-friendly, family-friendly event to the Cleveland Metroparks Zoo on Saturday, July 30th! Plus, we'll be hosting a celebratory brunch following the Walk/Run/Mosey.

Sign up today and join us July 30th for a day of fun and celebration! [Register Now!](#)



Urgent: Ukrainian Families Need You



Dear Prince of Peace Lutheran Church,

Although the situation in Ukraine is changing every day, I have an update for you on our response efforts.

Right now, our teams are working with partners in and around Ukraine. [Your emergency gift today](#) will deliver urgent support and care, like:

- Food, shelter and other critically needed items
- Mission Quilts and Kits for families who fled their homes
- Medicine and supplies for clinics

I can't stress this enough. Every second counts here. With so many families displaced, and so many surrounding regions at risk from the ripple effects of this situation, we cannot wait. [We must act now to help families.](#)

We are committed to responding to the needs of the people of Ukraine. Your love, and your gift today, will reach families affected by this crisis.

I will continue to keep you updated on the situation as it unfolds. Please keep praying with us – [and please reach out to neighbors in need with an emergency gift.](#)

In Faith,

Ambassador Daniel Speckhard
President and CEO

P.S. We are committed to responding to the needs of families affected by this crisis, until your love reaches every neighbor. Please keep praying with us – and please reach out to neighbors in need with an emergency gift.



UKRAINIAN BUSINESSES TO SUPPORT

Ukrainian Village Food and Deli
Lviv International Food Store
International Food and Deli
Mama Marie's Ukrainian Kitchen
Kolos Andros Ukrainian Bakery
Taste of Europe
PV Euro Market
Yeleseyevsky Deli
Perla Pierogies

February 2022 Health and Safety Update

COVID-19 UPDATE

The Health and Safety Team met on February 26 to discuss the latest information from the CDC and reviewed our guiding principles.

On February 25, the CDC revised its guidelines regarding mask recommendations. Instead of basing mask recommendations solely on caseload, the guidance also will consider hospitalizations, current beds by COVID patients and hospital capacity.

In the past couple of weeks, the caseload and hospitalization numbers in our community have greatly improved, and based on this new guidance from CDC, our county and surrounding counties are communities where the CDC suggests masks be optional for gatherings.

Our two guiding principles at Prince of Peace Lutheran Church remain the same:

1. To proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ in Word and Sacrament, carrying out God's mission as God leads.
2. To be mindful of the health and safety of all.

Based on these factors, we are changing our congregational protocols to be "mask optional", effective immediately. Those who wish to remove their masks in the church, classes, meetings, and gatherings may do so; those who wish to keep them on may also do so. We have a wide range of risk tolerance and health needs in the congregation, and our aim is to provide as many options for people to participate as we can, both in person and virtually.

High priority ministries that include individuals who may have increased risk will continue to be supported by wearing masks. Communion servers and the pastor will wear masks during the distribution; nursery volunteers will wear masks.

We encourage the following:

- If you are sick, please stay home. Whether you suspect a cold or flu, COVID or something else, and you show symptoms, please stay home and work on getting well!
- If you test positive for COVID-19, please let us know. As members of the church family, we want to offer any support we can. As with any health information, we will keep your information confidential.
- If you were exposed to someone who tested positive for COVID-19, please consider wearing a mask to protect the possible spread to others.
- Be considerate of those who continue to wear masks. There are many reasons why masks are still the best option for many in our community.
- In all these things, we love one another through these challenging days!

Remember that worship is live streamed every Sunday at 9 am and 11 am on our YouTube Page, so that everyone can join in worship!

The pandemic has tested our patience and resilience, and we appreciate the ways in which the people, leadership, and staff of Prince of Peace have supported each other through the past two years.

God bless you all.

The Health and Safety Team

- Judy Splawski, MD
- Cynthia Strieter, MD
- Dave Covell, Retired Lorain County Health Commissioner, Council Vice President
- Mark Givens, Church Council Member
- Pastor Charlie Woodward
- Jim Dickey, Council President
- Sally Balch, Council Vice President

Prayer Concerns

Please join us in praying for members and friends with recent needs: Jeff (friend of Diane Diekroger), Susan Acord (sister of Lisa Woodward), Family of Pastor Sherman Bishop, Pat Blakeslee and family (brother of Mark Blakeslee), Dennis Butler (friend of Myrta Holden), Sharon Davidson (POP Comfort Quilter), Sean Gordon (nephew of Diane Diekroger), Family of Carol Loehrke Ellis (wife of Pr. Eugene Loehrke, former PoP pastor), MaryAnn Oppenlander (friend of Terry and Dennis MacKenzie), The Poirer Family, Cindy Strieter, Jean Winslow. **Also, we pray for chronic, long-term care needs:** Charlotte (gr. granddaughter of Jan Schoch), Ren (granddaughter of Linda Baumbach), Tom (cousin of Deb Gibbons), Jaime Alspach, James Arrigo, Stephanie Bailey (niece of Mary Sue Claus), Cathy Blitz (sister-in-law of Jann Daniels), Tony Cacciatore, Don Chismar, Marcia Drysdale (friend of Jane Dillon), Matthew Gilbride, Denny Giza (friend of Ellie Sanow), Chris Henry (nephew of Lisa Arrigo), Dawn Higgins (neighbor of Fran Molnar), Gale Johnson (friend of Kathy Kettler), Deanne Lahner (niece of Mary Sue Claus), Pat Merhaut (step grandmother of Shawn Merhaut), Angela Missig (daughter of Gloria Starr), Jenn Pitts (daughter of Judy Kazak), Eric and Nicole Quinn (friends of Matt Wenham), Lois Reichert, Howard Ricke (father of Cindy Zinram), Greg Rolitsky (friend of Mary Sue and Ron Claus), Pam Rotella. **Please notify the office of prayer concerns. These names will be shared with our prayer chain ministry & remain on our prayer list during Sunday worship for 3 weeks.**

2022 Giving Report

	YTD	Weekly
Operating Giving as of March 31 :	\$ 109,685	\$ 8,437
Percent of Annual Budget:	29%	
Needed for Giving Budget:	\$ 270,315	\$ 6,931
To cover Cost Budget:	\$ 310,315	\$ 7,957

Attendance at Prince of Peace

Date	Online	In Person	Total
04/24/2022	35	209	244
04/17/2022	108	255	363
04/14-15/2022	83	123	206
04/10/2022	93	193	286

Happy Birthday

04/27	Avianna Carimi	05/02	Abbie Gleespen
04/28	Becky Kear	05/03	Grant Cornick
04/28	Sally Poirier	05/03	Brian Drobnak
04/28	Helga Susemihl	05/06	Lois Smilor
05/01	Jim Lappin	05/07	Ben Blakeslee
05/01	Dineen Terstage	05/07	Lillian Fortuna
05/02	Lillian Franz	05/08	Dave Saunders

Happy Anniversary!

04/28 TJ & Susan Worsencroft

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Office Hours

Monday and Friday 10 am-3 pm; Sunday 8:30-11:30 am

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Sunday Worship Services

9:00 am & 11:00 am in person.

[Livestream](#)

Christian Education - Sundays 10:10 am

Child Care - Currently suspended due to Covid.